2010 Kentucky Asthma Program Fact Sheet - Asthma Among Adults

(Adults Defined as Ages 18 Years and Older)

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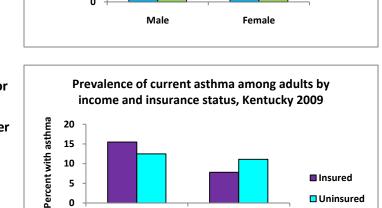
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Percent with asthma

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PREVALENCE

- In 2009, an estimated 198,000 females in Kentucky reported current asthma, and an estimated 279,000 females reported lifetime asthma (asthma at some point in their life). Among males an estimated 135,000 reported current asthma in 2009, and an estimated 208,000 reported lifetime asthma.
- In 2009, adults in households earning less than \$25,000 reported a higher prevalence of current asthma than those in households earning \$25,000 or more. This is modified by insurance status, with a lower proportion of uninsured adults living in poorer households reporting current asthma, but a higher proportion of adults living in wealthier households reporting current asthma.



Household income

\$25,000+

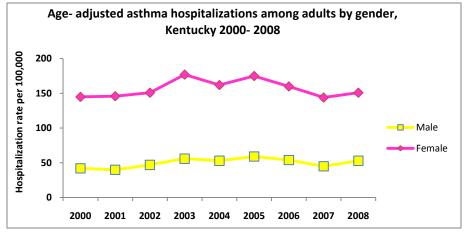
Prevalence of current and lifetime asthma among adults by gender, Kentucky 2009

Current

■ Lifetime

HOSPITALIZATIONS

Male and female asthma hospitalizations in Kentucky followed roughly the same trends between 2000 and 2008. Across this nine year period, males averaged 990 asthma hospitalizations per year, while females averaged 3,554 asthma hospitalizations per year.



< \$25,000

MORTALITY

In Kentucky, adult females have a higher death rate from asthma than adult males. Over the past 10 years, on average, 34 females and 15 males died from asthma each year.

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